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## RYE AND ENLOE ARE THE DEMOCRATIC NOMINEES

Gov. T. C. Rye and Railroad Commissioner B. A. Enloe were nominated by the state democratic convention in Nashville last week to succeed themselves.

The convention was noisy and boisterous but harmony was prevailing at the hour of adjournment arrived and the democratic party in Tennessee is now united and a victory in November is assured with the above strong leaders heading the ticket. Gov. Rye was renominated without opposition but there were five candidates placed before the convention for railroad commissioner. Mr. Enloe, however, defeated his strongest opponent, T. J. Walsh, after much balloting and excitement.

The platform adopted by the convention is one of the strongest the party has ever had. The prohibition, oyster and law enforcement planks are strong and clear and their adoption was favored by all the county delegation with the exception of Davidson, which was controlled by Hillary Howse, and two other small counties.

It is noticeable that gentlemen from the Fourth congressional district played important parts in the convention. Judge A. H. Roberts of Livingston, chancellor of this division, was unanimously selected as chairman, and he handled the situation in a manner that commanded praise from every section of the state. L. A. Ligon, attorney of this city, was selected as one of the members of the platform committee, and it was he who read the document to the convention for its approval. Congressman Cordell Hull was re-elected as a member of the national democratic committee.

H. B. McGinness of this city and Edward Albright of Gallatin were re-elected as members of the state democratic executive committee. Woodall Murry of Sumner county was chosen as elector. C. H. Rickman of Algood and A. A. Adams of Lebanon were selected from the Fourth congressional district and Austin Peay, J. E. Richardson, J. H. Hartford and T. R. Preston from the state at large to attend the national democratic convention, which meets in St. Louis next month.

## Yeaman Bros. Start Reduction Sale.

Yeaman Bros., two of Hickman's enterprising and progressive merchants, in order to make room for other purchases, have started a reduction sale which means up-to-date merchandise at money-saving prices. Their ad appears elsewhere in the Courier and it means what it says.

## Deaths and Births Equal in No. 811

In registration district No. 811 of Smith county, comprising the first and twentieth civil districts, the death and birth list has been equal, there being only six births and six deaths so far during the year 1916.

Should any other registra in Smith county care to have their list published, inform the local registra at Carthage.

Henry Kemp of Difficult, accompanied by his brother, J. A. Kemp of this place and Dr. M. N. Alexander, motored to Nashville Wednesday where Mr. Kemp will undergo an operation for appendicitis. Mr. Kemp was suddenly stricken Tuesday with a fully developed case of acute appendicitis and an immediate

## NOTES FROM MIDDLE TENNESSEE STATE NORMAL

During the present term the students of M. T. N. heard a number of interesting and inspiring speakers. Dr. Taidler of New York delivered a very instructive talk in chapel on "socialism," which resulted in the organization of a club among the students for the purpose of becoming informed on "socialism." Dr. Yublin of Boston delivered a series of lectures to the citizens of Murfreesboro under the auspices of the Civic League. His lectures created enthusiasm among those who heard him, and it is hoped that improved sanitary and civic conditions will result from these lectures. He delivered several lectures to Normal students during chapel hours.

On April 7th, 8th and 9th a conference for rural workers was held in the Norma auditorium. Among the prominent speakers were Dr. Tate of Peabody, Drs. Trawick and Parker of the state Y. M. C. A., and Dr. Weatherford, traveling secretary for the south of the Y. M. C. A. This conference aroused new interest among the students in rural social problems.

Two very interesting plays have been presented by the literary societies. One presented by the Grady-Murfree societies was entitled, "Back to the Farm." The one presented by the Olaxton-Dramoole societies was entitled, "At the End of the Rainbow." Both were pronounced a great success by all who attended.

On the evening of April 22nd the Glee Club presented a cantata, "Trial by Jury," to a large and appreciative audience.

The baseball season is now at its height. Besides several old players we have a number of new men who are proving their ability to handle the ball.

The interstate debate was held at each of the state normal schools on April 28th. Two representatives from East Tennessee Normal were defeated here by B. H. Odum and W. B. Knott, representatives of Middle Tennessee Normal.

The commencement exercises will include such interesting events as the inter-society debate, the essay and oratorical contest, the senior and junior receptions, alumni banquet, etc. Commencement day will be May 31st.

We are expecting a large attendance during the summer term. Extra teachers and extra courses have been provided for benefit of those who can not attend the regular term.

## Revival at Baptist Church

Rev. A. P. Moore is in receipt of a letter from Dr. R. S. Gavin, pastor of the First Baptist church of Corinth, Miss., stating that he accepts the invitation to hold a revival meeting at the Baptist church in Carthage. The meeting will likely begin on the 14th of June. Dr. Gavin is a great preacher and has held some wonderfully successful meetings in such places as Gadsden, Mobile, Montgomery and Birmingham, Ala., and in as prominent places in Miss., Georgia, and Florida. Let the good people of Carthage get ready for a rich feast of good things. Other announcements will be made in due time.

Esq. L. P. Grigg of Difficult passed through Carthage Wednesday enroute to Nashville where he will be present at an operation for appendicitis on his son-in-law, Henry Kemp.

## MASS MEETING CALLED TO MEET AT GORDONSVILLE

The Trustees of the Gordonsville High School hereby give notice of a call for a mass meeting of the citizens of the Gordonsville vicinity, who are interested in the educational progress of Smith county, to meet at Gordonsville Saturday evening, May 27th, at 8 o'clock.

The main object of the meeting is to consider plans whereby all people who desire to do so, may assist the people of Elmwood in the erection of their new high school building this summer.

The people of the south side have never been disposed to lag in any of the moves for the betterment of the entire County. They believe that the children of Smith County belong as much to them as to any other section of the County, and they are determined to do their part in forwarding the educational movement on their behalf.

Notices of this meeting have been sent to representative citizens of Elmwood, asking that they send a delegation. It would be pleasing, too, if all members of the County High School Board can attend.

Respectfully submitted,

H. C. Gwaltney  
Clerk of Board

## EXAMINATION PROGRAM FOR TEACHERS TO BE DISTRIBUTED

All teachers on the program for the annual institute will be notified of their subject soon. The full program will be ready for distribution by May 30th.

Teachers not attending some recognized summer school will attend the full number of days at the institute. All efforts are being extended to make this the best institute we have ever had.

All school reports must be furnished me before or during the week of the institute. If you have more time to teach after June 2nd, estimate your attendance and bring in your report anyway.

## EXAMINATIONS.

May 30th—Arithmetic, physiology, reading circle, spelling and reading.

May 31st—Writing, grammar, geography, U. S. history and Tennessee history.

Please note changes in time of examination and not miss it. This one will be your last chance. Work begins strictly at 8 o'clock. Write or call for further information.

E. L. HUFFINES.

## Money To Lend

I have \$200 to lend on first mortgage for one or two years. Call S. M. Young, Dixon Springs, Tenn.

## Social and Personal Notes

Willie Duke of Difficult was in Carthage yesterday.

John Foutch of near New Middleton was in Carthage Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Curtis were in Nashville a few days last week.

Robert Jones returned Monday from a few days' visit in Nashville.

Miss Flora Drake is spending this week with relatives in Hickman.

Misses Ollie and Josie McGinness spent several days in Nashville last week.

S. F. Ward has returned from a week's visit with his brothers at Birmingham, Ala.

Willard Jones of the Highland Mill Co., of Willette, was in Carthage Wednesday.

Miss Rebekah Ward is visiting her cousin, Miss Winnie Flippen, at Watertown this week.

Esq. Brooks Robinson and A. J. Powell of Deafened were in Carthage Monday.

Clem Allen Womack is at Hartsville visiting his grandmother, Mrs. Gailbreath.

Mrs. N. C. Pope of Rock City has returned home after a visit to her daughter, Mrs. T. A. Squires.

Miss Ruby Dow, art teacher of the Gordonsville High School, returned to her home at Cookeville last Monday.

Miss McCann of St. Louis arrived in Carthage last Monday to accept a position as stenographer for Read Bros.

Miss Olean Jones was in Hickman Monday evening to participate in the recital given by the music class of that place.

Miss Lena Douglass, primary teacher, and Miss Magness, music teacher, of the Carthage High School, returned to their homes in Nashville last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jess Gwin, editors and publishers of the Hartsville, Vidette came up from Hartsville Saturday. Mrs. Gwin spent several days here at the bedside of her cousin, Mrs. Roy Samson.

Little Miss Vallie Gold Smith of Granville is here as the guest of her grandmother, Mrs. Willie C. Gold.

The new residences of James Conditt and Esq. S. S. Petross on Jefferson avenue are nearing completion.

Miss Estella Welty of the Carthage High School is at Gainesboro this week assisting in the Jackson county teachers institute.

Miss Mattie Lou Spencer, intermediate teacher in the Carthage High School during the past year, left for her home at Mulberry, Tenn., last Tuesday morning.

Harry Baird has returned to Lebanon after spending several days here in the interest of the Wilson County Title and Abstract Co.

L. I. Hix and daughter, Hester Coe, and Miss Hattie Chambers of Riddleton were in Carthage Saturday returning from Cookeville where they spent a week. While in Cookeville Mr. Hix served as a jurymen of the federal court which was in session there.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben S. Read of St. Louis arrived in Carthage first of the week to spend a few days with relatives.

Jessie, the little daughter of Mrs. Lissie Jones, was painfully injured last Monday afternoon by falling while skating on the sidewalk on college hill.

Friends here of the family will regret to learn of the death of Little Miss Virginia Mai Eyans which occurred at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Evans, Nashville, Tuesday evening, May 23. Mr. and Mrs. Julian Fisher were present at the funeral services.

Mrs. H. C. Curtis, trained nurse of Hickman, is in Carthage attending the bedside of Mrs. Roy Samson. The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Samson which has been in a serious condition on account of hematoma is thought to be improving since an operation which was performed by Dr. Pollard of Nashville last Tuesday.

## TO WEST POINT FROM THE RANKS

Capt. W. N. Hughes, U. S. A. recruiting officer for this district, has been notified by the office of the adjutant-general of a provision of a recent act of congress which means much for the young men now in the army or who are contemplating the career of a soldier.

The notification reads:

"The act of congress approved May 4th, 1916, provides as follows: 'That the President is hereby authorized to appoint cadets to the United States Military academy from among the enlisted men of the regular army between the ages of 19 and 22 who have served as enlisted men not less than one year, to be selected under such regulations as the President may prescribe.'"

Under this law a bright young man, without any special political influence, can procure an appointment to West Point after one year's service in the ranks. The notification does not indicate how many appointments are to be thus made.

Heretofore each senator and each representative has been entitled to send one cadet each to the military academy and the President has had the appointment of forty.

An appointment to West Point means free tuition at that famous institution and also pay at the rate of \$709.50. On graduation the cadet receives a second lieutenant's commission in the army.

The new law is expected to make service in army highly attractive.

## Taylor-Herod.

Hartsville, Tenn., May 23.—James C. Taylor and Miss Elizabeth Herod were married Sunday afternoon, the ceremony being performed by the Rev. J. O. Ensor while the couple were seated in an automobile in front of the Methodist parsonage. Mr. Taylor is a well-known citizen of Carthage, and the bride is a daughter of Squire W. P. Herod, one of the most prominent citizens of this place, and is one of the most popular and attractive young ladies of Hartsville. After the ceremony the bride and groom left for Nashville, where they will spend several weeks. Nashville Banner.

## Baseball

There will be a big baseball game played on the Carthage school grounds next Saturday, May 27th, between the Carthage and Watertown teams. This will be a good game, don't miss it. Game called at one o'clock.

## Preaching at Monoville.

F. W. Johnson, District Superintendent of the Nazarene church, will preach at the Union church at Monoville Saturday night and Sunday. Sunday is communion day, and everybody is cordially invited to be present and commune with us.

E. W. Chambers.

Rev. Waggoner of near Lebanon is in Carthage this week assisting Rev. Estes in conducting a revival at the Methodist church. Services are conducted every morning and evening. Rev. Waggoner is a strong preacher and his sermons are having good effect.

Julian Fisher, cashier of the Smith County Bank, Roy Ligon, assistant cashier of the First National Bank, and J. W. Nixon, cashier of the Bank of Hickman, were in Chattanooga last week attending a meeting of the Tennessee Bankers' Association.

## COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL BOARD HOLDS MEETING

A full meeting of the County High School board was held in Carthage last Saturday, every member being present as follows: L. A. Ligon, chairman; E. L. Huffines, secretary; W. B. Ford, B. J. Conditt, W. A. Davis, John B. Wilson and W. L. McClellan.

On motion of W. A. Davis the appropriation of \$400 from the High School fund to the salary of G. B. Thackston, county agent, was discontinued, it being the opinion of the Board that it would be better to use Prof. Thackston for his full time in giving a full Agricultural Course in one of the High Schools. This action discontinues the County Agent in the county, unless other arrangements are made.

The Carthage High School was unanimously designated as the Central High School of the county, it having been so designated for a period of two years by action of the Board in 1914.

The three schools were classified by the State Board of Education, as shown in Bulletin No. 3, sent out December 4, 1914, as required by law. Under this classification by the State Board the school at Carthage is given the four-year course, requiring four High School teachers, the school at Gordonsville the three year course, requiring three High School teachers, and the school at Elmwood the two-year course, requiring two High School teachers, and this was the classification of last year. The teachers for the High School departments for the coming year were then selected and approved as follows: Carthage—Albert S. Williams, principal, Miss Estella Welty, G. B. Thackston and Miss Tula Adcock, assistants. Gordonsville—J. J. Hendrickson, principal, E. F. Liggett and Miss Sadie Agnew, assistants. Elmwood—W. W. Heckman, principal, and Ovid Neal, associate principal.

Prof. Thackston, county agent was assigned to the Carthage School last year, as the fourth teacher required of all four-year schools, but his position as county Agent being discontinued by the Board, he was elected to fill out the fourth place in the faculty at the Carthage school. In addition to the \$400 paid him by the Board last year an additional \$300 was allowed, thus giving to the Carthage school \$300 more than it received last year, the other schools receiving the same as heretofore, this being necessary owing to the fact that an additional teacher had to be employed for the Central High School under the State Board classification.

All the High Schools showed a most successful year, and have bright prospects for the future.

The grade and classification of the schools remain the same as fixed by the State Board of Education in 1914. Under the law the County Boards have no power of classification or grading the schools.

## Big Sale in Progress

During the past several days G. C. Denney of Hickman has been conducting a big reduction sale of his general merchandise. The sale is put on in order to make room for a lot of new goods which have been bought, and Mr. Denney is offering a lot of exceptional bargains, which will be found elsewhere in this issue of the Courier. Miss Tula Denney also announces that she has had a most successful millinery season. She has only a few hats left which can be purchased at almost your own price.